"President Obama's plan to open up millions of acres to new oil and gas development off our coasts is a step in the right direction. Reducing our dependency on foreign oil and creating new American jobs is critical to getting our economy back on track. Our economic and national security depends on using all of the energy tools in our energy toolbox. I will continue to work with the Administration and all Members of Congress to responsibly expand domestic energy production on the Outer Continental Shelf, while transitioning to greater use of renewable energy and nuclear power."